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Fish Hatcheries

The Department of Fish and Game operates fish hatcheries at Anaconda, Arlee, Big Timber, Bridger, Great Falls, Lewistown and Somers. Federal hatcheries, stocking primarily Indian reservations, are situated at Bozeman, Creston, Ennis and Miles City.

Many persons are curious about the ways in which hatchery fish are used. They are used for: (1) stocking new, unpopulated waters, (2) supplementing populations in water with inadequate natural fish reproduction, (3) supplementing natural populations in heavily fished waters, (4) maintaining populations in suitable waters having no natural reproduction and (5) restocking waters from which game and trash fish have been eliminated.

The fisheries program in Montana continues to rank among the best in the nation. Fact finding and realistic, progressive action programs are generally well balanced. Hopefully, Montana fishermen can look forward to challenging sport fishing for many generations to come.

1	Big Springs Trout Hatchery, Lewistown	(C5)	US 87 in Lewistown milepost 82, the S.E. 8 miles on secondary 238
2	Bluewater Springs Trout Hatchery Bridger	(D6)	US 310 S. of Laurel milepost 32, then S.E. 10 miles on county roads
3	Flathead Lake Salmon Hatchery, Somers	(B2)	US 93 S. of Kalispell milepost 99
4	Giant Springs Trout Hatchery, Great Falls	(B4)	US 87 in Great Falls milepost 1.7, then E. 3 miles on secondary roads
5	Jocko River Trout Hatchery, Arlee	(C2)	US 93 N. of Arlee milepost 18
6	Washoe Park Trout Hatchery, Anaconda	(D3)	US 10A in Anaconda N. on Main street across RR tracks, then W. 5 blocks
7	Yellowstone River Trout Hatchery Big Timber	(D5)	US 10 in Big Timber N.W. on McLeod Street 2 blocks then S.W. 1 block

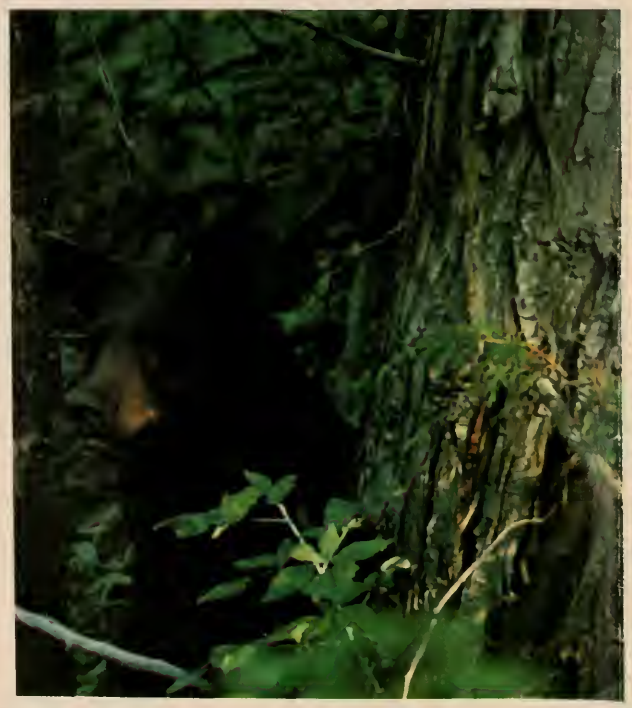
Wildlife Management Areas

Whether you thrill to the whirr of a ruffed grouse breaking from a willow clump, the bugling of a bull elk or a tussle with a tackle-busting trout, Montana has something to offer.

Montana has an area of 147,138 square miles. The prairies, badlands and rolling pine covered hills characterize the eastern section. Antelope, deer, sage and sharp-tailed grouse, pheasants and turkeys and warm water fish inhabit the area. This is also country rich in fossil deposits, and the picturesque badlands form an interesting backdrop for the hunter, fisherman, camper and photographer.

In western Montana, rugged, snow-capped peaks, rolling hills and broad valleys are the homes of elk, moose, white-tailed and mule deer, mountain goats and sheep, black and grizzly bear, rainbow and brown trout and other cold water fish.

Wildlife management has been described as the art of making land produce a sustained crop of wildlife for recreational use. The Department wildlife areas provide habitat for wildlife which includes annual needs for food cover, water and space. The managers of these areas attempt to keep wildlife populations in balance with the habitat capacity. With facts at hand these managers recommend game and fur harvests in such a manner that the habitat is protected and the surplus animals produced each year are hunted or trapped.



The Department's wildlife program provides a continuing survey, inventory and research of the state wildlife resource which is the biological basis of management recommendations to the Fish and Game Commission. Wildlife management is designed to provide optimum hunting and associated outdoor recreation to the sportsmen visitors in the state. Nonrecreational values and uses of the resource are also considered. Wildlife areas controlled by the Commission are managed to provide optium habitat and compatible outdoor recreation. Cooperation and coordination with other natural resource agencies and landowners are also required to properly manage the state's wildlife resource.

There are 30 state wildlife management areas and game ranges in Montana. Managed for specific species of wildlife, these large acreages offer big game or small game hunting and associated outdoor recreation. Game ranges also provide winter forage for big game and habitat for many other species of wildlife. A variety of animals can be seen in these areas.

There are regulations posted which govern the use and visits of persons going to these areas. Information concerning use of these areas can be obtained from Department offices and field personnel.

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1	Beartoath	C3	I 15 at Wolf Creek then N.E. on US 91 three miles then S. five miles on county road.
2	Bitterroot	C2	US 93 N. of Hamilton milepost 51, then E. on secondary 373 14 miles.
3	Blackfoot - Clearwater	C3	State 209 S. of Seeley Lake milepost 1. Various access points.
4	Blacktail	E3	I 15 S. of Dillon milepost 62, the S.E. 34 miles on county road.
5	Bowser	A2	US 93 N. of Kalispell milepost 116, then W. 3 miles and N. 2 miles on county roads.
6	Canyon Ferry	C4	Various access points from US 12 and secondary 289 N. of Townsend.
7	Cooney	D5	US 212 S.W. of Laurel milepost 90 at Boyd, then W. 9 miles on county road.
8	Clark Canyon	E3	I 15 . of Dillon milepost 44 and 37. Various access points.
9	Ear Mountain	B3	US 287 S. of Chateau milepost 64, then W. 28 miles on county road.
10	Elk Island	B8	State 16 N. of Glendive milepost 30, then E. one mile on county road.
11	Fleecer Mountain	D3	State 43 W. of Divide milepost 76.
12	Freezeout Lake	B3	US 89 N. of Fairfield milepost 327.
13	Fresno	A5	US 2 W. of Havre milepost 370, then N. 2 miles on county road.
14	Gallatin	D4	US 191 S. of Bozeman milepost 36.
15	Helena Valley Reservoir	C3	US 287 N. of Helena on Montana Avenue, then E. on secondary 280 10 miles.
16	Haymaker	C5	US 12 W. of Harlowton milepost 88, then N. 16 miles on county road.
17	Hinsdale	A7	US 2 E. of Saco milepost 512, then N. two miles on county road.
18	Issac Homestead	C7	I 94 Hysham interchange milepost 67, then E. 5 miles on county roads.
19	Judith River	C4	US 87 E. of Stanford milepost 58 then S.W. on secondary 239 25 miles.
20	Madison - Bear Creek	E4	US 287 S. of Ennis milepost 29, then N.E. 14 miles on county road.
21	Madison - Wall Creek	E3	US 287 S. of Ennis milepost 30, then S.W. 14 miles on county roads.
22	Milk River	A6	US 2 E. of Malta milepost 489, then N. 11 miles on secondary 243.
23	Mr. Haggin	D3	US 10A E. of Anaconda milepost 4, then S. on secondary 274. Various access points.
24	Ninepipe	B2	US 93 S. of Ronan milepost 40.
25	Pablo	B2	US 93 S. of Polson milepost 53.
26	Rookery	A5	US 2 W. of Havre milepost 383, then N. across river then W. 4 miles on county road.
27	Seven Sisters	B8	State 16 N. of Glendive milepost 41, then E. one mile on county road.
28	Sun River G.R.	B3	US 287 at Augusta milepost 38, then W. 15 miles on secondary 435.
29	Three Mile	C2	US 93 S. of Missoula milepost 74, then S.E. on 203 6.5 miles, E. on 268 3.6 miles, then N E. four miles on county road.
30	Worm Springs	D3	US 12 N. of Anaconda milepost 197.

montana recreation and parks

Lewis and Clark Caverns

Montana's first and best-known park features one of the largest known limestone caverns in the Northwest. Naturally air conditioned, these spectacular caves are electrically lighted and safe to visit. Two-hour guided tours are conducted daily during the summer. Camping is available. The caverns are a fantasy of color: whites, tans, pinks, browns and reds. Moisture seeping through limestone formations has created beautiful stalactites, stalagmites, and columns. The largest and most fantastic rooms are Cathedral, Garden of the Gods, the Princess Palace and Paradise.

A party of hunters discovered the caverns in 1892. In 1908 Theodore Roosevelt proclaimed Lewis and Clark Caverns a national monument.

Bannack

A national registered historic landmark, Bannack is located in the narrow valley of Grasshopper Creek. Built near the site of an 1862 gold strike and named after a local tribe of Indians, Bannack was a brawling frontier mining town and Montana Territory's first capital. Several of the original buildings have been preserved giving Bannack a true ghost town atmosphere.

Giant Springs

This park along the Missouri River includes one of the world's largest springs. Lewis and Clark discovered the spring on their expedition and mention it in their journals. The site includes a day use area and the Department of Fish and Game uses water from the springs for its fish hatchery.

Medicine Rocks

This park preserves some of the most interesting geologic features in the state. In rolling prairie terrain, the striking sandstone formations stand out as spirals, columns, archways, cones, and pyramids carved by wind and water erosion.

Makoshika

Makoshika, a Sioux word meaning "bad earth" is descriptive of this spectacular badlands site. Centuries of wind and water erosion have produced weirdly shaped rock and soil formations of brilliant coloring. Fossils of prehistoric animals are found in some locations, as are artifacts of prehistoric man. Early morning and late evening are ideal times to visit the park for full benefit of spectacular lighting.

Missouri Headwaters

The Headwaters is a national registered historic landmark and one of the West's most significant historical sites. The Madison, Jefferson and Gallatin rivers combine here to form the Missouri. Lewis and Clark camped here on their westward journey in 1805. To continue their journey they had to choose among the Missouri's three forks. They chose the Jefferson and continued their successful journey west.

Pictograph Cave

This monument commemorates a very significant archaeological site. Prehistoric people squatted in front of these caves roasting buffalo meat and cracking bones for marrow with stone hammers. Their artists decorated the walls with enduring dark pigments. Designated a historical landmark in 1964, the site has recently undergone extensive restoration.

Chief Plenty Coups

This area honors the great Crow leader, Chief Plenty Coups. The chief was born in 1848 near Billings at a place known to the Crows as "Cliff-that-has-no-pass." Plenty Coups led scouts under General Crook and acted in every instance as a friend to all people. Plenty Coups asked the U.S. government to hold 40 acres, including his house, in trust as a park for his tribe. One of his stipulations was that all people were to use the park together. The Chief Plenty Coups Museum is situated on the site to preserve and exhibit the artifacts, clothing, medicine bundles and other items representing the life of the Crows and their great leader.

Chief Joseph

This monument preserves the final battleground of the Nez Perce war of 1877. It marks the scene of the final confrontation and surrender of Chief Joseph and a band of Nez Perce men, women, and children which ended a 1,700-mile retreat through some of the roughest country in the West.

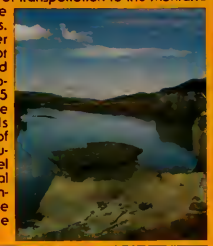
Madison Buffalo Jump

This buffalo jump (pishkun) vividly demonstrates a hunting technique used by prehistoric man in Montana. The site consists of a sandstone cliff topped by a gently rolling plateau. The buffalo, stampeded by the hunters, were driven over the cliff and any animals not killed by the fall were dispatched by the arrows, lances and axes of the people waiting below.

Missouri Waterway

The 170-mile portion of the Missouri from Fort Benton downstream to Fort Peck Reservoir remains free and unspoiled. In 1976, this area was designated a National Wild and Scenic River and is the last major free flowing stretch of the "Mighty Mo."

The Recreation and Parks Division administers five sites within this waterway: Coal Banks Landing, Cow Island Landing, Judith Landing, Hole-in-the-Wall and Slaughter River. They commemorate historic locations and provide rustic camping facilities for modern river travelers. The three landings were early stops for steamboats that provided a major mode of transportation to the Montana gold fields in the 1860's and 1870's. The site of Slaughter River marks the spot where the Lewis and Clark Expedition camped on May 29, 1805 and July 24, 1806. The explorer's journals mention deposits of buffalo bones at Slaughter River. Gravel roads lead to Coal Banks and Judith Landings. The other three sites are accessible only by water.



Logan

This site, featuring magnificent evergreen trees, is situated on the shore of Middle Thompson Lake. The area has facilities for picnicking, camping, fishing, swimming and boating. The natural and unspoiled character of this site make it a very desirable and attractive recreation area. It was dedicated in 1938 as a memorial park in honor of Sidney M. Logan.

For some it is simply a convenient road-side picnic stop, and for others a favorite outdoor recreation area.

Flathead Lake

Many consider Flathead Lake "the jewel of the Northwest." This huge lake contains nearly 200 square miles and is the largest fresh water lake in the western United States. The quality of the fishing is renowned. Most anglers go after cutthroat, Dolly Varden, mackinaw or kokanee.

The east shore drive, bordered by the majestic Mission Mountain Range, is 35 miles of unexcelled beauty. In summer, roadside stands offer a variety of cherries, apples, plums and other tempting fruits raised locally.

The Recreation and Parks Division administers numerous recreation areas along Flathead Lake, all with easy access for the traveling public. These areas provide high quality recreational opportunities.

Canyon Ferry

Canyon Ferry Reservoir is situated on the main stem of the Missouri River. It varies from 1 to 4 miles wide and is approximately 25 miles long. Nearby mountains once bustled with gold camps and visitors can see remnants of many old diggings.

This outstanding area offers good fishing for rainbow and brown trout. Deer and other wildlife are common. Numerous waterfowl and birds of prey commonly nest in the area.

The Recreation and Parks Division administers numerous recreation sites along Canyon Ferry Reservoir for public use. Hiking, swimming, fishing, boating and water skiing are among the area's attractions.

STATE PARKS

	Directions	Boat Access	Toilets	Drinking Water	Dump Station	Camping	Picnic Area	Shelters	Interpretive Devices	Swimming	Fee
1. Bannack E3	U.S. 91 S. of Dillon milepost 57 then W. on secondary 278 21 miles.		●	●			●		●		
2. Giant Springs B4	U.S. 87 in Great Falls, milepost		●	●					●		
3. Lewis & Clark Caverns D3	U.S. 10 west of Three Forks milepost 271.		●	●	●	●	●		●		●
4. Lone Pine A2	3 miles southwest of Kalispel										
5. Lost Creek D3	U.S. 10A east of Anaconda milepost 5 then northwest 8 miles. (Trailers not recommended.)					●	●				
6. Makoshika C8	I-94 at Glendive. Milepost 210		●				●		●		
7. Medicine Rocks D8	State 7 north of Ekalaka milepost 2 then west 1 mile on county road.		●	●			●				
8. Missouri Headwaters D4	I-90 at Three Forks milepost 2		●	●	●	●	●		●		

RECREATION AREAS

	Directions	Boat Access	Toilets	Drinking Water	Dump Station	Camping	Picnic Area	Shelters	Interpretive Devices	Swimming	Pack In and Out	Fee
46. Slaughter River B5	On Missouri River No vehicle access.		●				●					
47. South Sandstone C8	U.S. 12 W. of Baker milepost 680 then S. 7 miles on county road.	●	●	●		●	●			●		
48. Thompson Falls B1	State 200 N.W. of Thompson Falls milepost 50.		●	●		●	●	●				●
49. Waistad Memorial B2	U.S. 93 N. of Polson milepost 72.	●	●				●			●		
50. Wayfarers B2	State 35 at Bigfork milepost 31.	●	●	●	●	●	●			●		●
51. West Rosebud C7	U.S. 12 at Forsyth. South side of bridge, milepost 270.	●	●			●	●					
52. White Earth C4	U.S. 287 S.E. of Helena to Winston milepost 64 then E. 5 miles on county road	●	●	●		●	●					●
53. Whitefish A2	U.S. 93 W. of Whitefish milepost 129 then N. one mile	●	●	●		●	●			●		●

FISHING ACCESS

	Directions	Boat Access	Toilets	Drinking Water	Camping	Picnic Area	Shelters	Interpretive Devices	Swimming	Pack In and Out	Fee
62. Glen D3	I-15 N. of Dillon milepost 85 then S. 6 miles on frontage road.		●		●	●				●	
63. Glen Lake A1	U.S. 93 S. of Eureka milepost 174 then E. 6 miles on county road.	●	●		●	●					
64. Gray Cliff D4	I-90 at Logan milepost 283 then S. 15 miles on county roads.		●			●					
65. Grey Bear D5	U.S. 10 W. of Big Timber milepost 360 then N.W. 7 miles on county road.					●					
66. Hannon Memorial D2	U.S. 93 S. of Hamilton milepost 23.									●	
67. Harper Lake C2	Secondary 209 S. of Seeley Lake milepost 1.	●	●			●					
68. Harrison Lake D3	U.S. 287 N. of Ennis milepost 75 then E. 5 miles on county road.	●	●			●					
69. Harry Morgan C2	State 200 at Ovando then S. 4 miles on county roads.	●									

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	Directions	Boat Access	Toilets	Drinking Water	Dump Station	Camping	Picnic Area	Shelters	Interpretive Devices	Swimming	Fee
1. Bannack E3	U.S. 91 S. of Dillon milepost 87 then W. on secondary 278 21 miles.		●	●							
2. Giant Springs B4	U.S. 87 in Great Falls, milepost 1.7 then E. 3 miles on secondary roads.		●	●			●		●		
3. Lewis & Clark Caverns D3	U.S. 10 west of Three Forks milepost 271.		●	●	●	●			●		●
4. Lone Pine A2	3 miles southwest of Kalispel on secondary 503.										
5. Lost Creek D3	U.S. 10A east of Anaconda milepost 5 then northwest 6 miles. (Trailers not recommended.)		●			●	●				
6. Makoshika C8	I-94 at Glendive Milepost 210 4 miles southeast of town on county road.		●			●	●		●		
7. Medicine Rocks D8	State 7 north of Ekalaka milepost 12 then west 1 mile on county road.		●	●		●	●				
8. Missouri Headwaters D4	I-90 at Three Forks milepost 278 then north 6 miles on Secondary 286.	●	●	●		●	●		●		
9. West Shore B2	U.S. 93 20 miles south of Kalispel milepost 93	●	●	●		●	●		●	●	●

STATE MONUMENTS

	Directions	Boat Access	Toilets	Drinking Water	Dump Station	Camping	Picnic Area	Shelters	Interpretive Devices	Swimming	Fee
1. Beaverhead Rock D3	State 41 N. of Dillon milepost 14.										
2. Chief Joseph A5	U.S. 2 in Chinook milepost 403 then S. on Ohio Street 16 miles on secondary 240.		●				●	●	●		
3. Chief Plenty Coups D6	I-90 at Billings milepost 452 then S on Secondary to Pryor then W. 1 mile on county road.		●	●			●		●		
4. Citadel Rock B5	On Missouri River. No vehicle access.										
5. Fort Maginnis B5	U.S. 191 N. of Lewistown milepost 9 then E. 10 miles on county road.										
6. Fort Owen C2	U.S. 93 S. of Missoula at Stevensville.		●						●		
7. Granite C2	U.S. 10A at Philipsburg then E. 3 miles. Trailers not recommended.								●		
8. Greycliff Pr. Dog Town D5	I-90 E. of Big Timber milepost 390.										
9. Madison Buffalo Jump D4	I-90 E. of Bozeman milepost 283 then S. 7 miles on county road.		●	●			●		●		
10. Natural Bridge D4	U.S. 10 at Big Timber milepost 381 then S. on Secondary 298 27 mi.		●								
11. Pictograph Cave D6	I-90 E. of Billings milepost 452 then S. 6 miles on county road.		●	●			●		●		
12. Sluice Boxes C4	U.S. 89 S. of Belt milepost 190 then W. 2 miles on county road.										
13. Ulm Pishkun B4	I-15 S. of Great Falls at Ulm milepost 274 then W. 4 miles on county road.		●				●	●			

RECREATION AREAS

	Directions	Boat Access	Toilets	Drinking Water	Dump Station	Camping	Picnic Area	Shelters	Interpretive Devices	Swimming	Pack In and Out	Fee
1. Ashley Lake A1	U.S. 2 W. Kalispell milepost 105 then N. 13 miles on county road.		●			●		●			●	
2. Beartooth C3	I-15 at Wolf Creek then N.E. on U.S. 91 3 miles then S. 5 miles on county road.	●	●	●		●	●					●
3. Beavertail Hill C2	I-90 S.E. Missoula milepost 119.	●	●	●		●	●					●
4. Big Arm B2	U.S. 93 N. of Polson milepost 74.	●	●	●		●	●			●		●
5. Bitterroot Lake B1	U.S. 2 W. Kalispell milepost 101 then N. 5 miles.	●	●	●		●	●			●		●
6. Cave Bay C3	U.S. 287 E. of Helena milepost 55 then N.E. 10 miles on secondary 284.	●	●	●		●	●			●		●
7. Cemetery Island C3	Canyon Ferry Reservoir E. of Helena. Boat access only.		●			●	●				●	
8. Chalet I C3	U.S. 287 E. of Helena milepost 55 then N.E. on secondary 284 to Yacht Basin then S. .5 miles.		●	●		●	●					●
9. Chinaman's C3	U.S. 287 E. of Helena milepost 55 then N.E. 10 miles on secondary 284.	●	●	●		●	●			●		●
10. Coal Banks Landing B4	U.S. 87 N. of Fort Benton milepost 67 then S. 8 miles on county road.	●	●	●		●	●					
11. Confederate C4	U.S. 12 E. of Townsend milepost 2 then N. 18 miles on secondary 284.						●				●	
12. Cooney D5	U.S. 212 S.W. of Laurel milepost 90 at Boyd then W. 9 miles on county road.	●	●	●		●	●			●		●
13. Cottonwood C4	U.S. 287 N. of Townsend milepost 75		●			●	●					
14. Couri Sheriff C3	U.S. 287 E. of Helena milepost 55 then N.E. 9 miles on secondary 284.		●	●		●	●			●		●
15. Cow Island B5	On Missouri River. No vehicle access		●			●	●					
16. Crittendon C3	U.S. 287 E. of Helena milepost 55 then N.E. on secondary 284 to Yacht Basin then S. 4 miles.		●			●	●			●		
17. Deadman's Basin C5	U.S. 12 E. of Harlowtown milepost 120.		●			●	●			●		
18. East Rosebud C7	I-94 at Forsyth then N. through town.		●			●	●					
19. Elmo B2	U.S. 93 N. of Elmo milepost 78	●	●	●		●	●			●		●
20. Finley Point B2	State 35 E. of Polson milepost 6 then W. 4 miles.	●	●	●		●	●			●		●
21. Fish Hawk C3	U.S. 287 E. of Helena milepost 55 then N.E. on secondary 284 to Yacht Basin then S. .5 miles.		●			●	●					
22. Hell Creek B7	State 200 at Jordan milepost 213 then N. 24 miles on county road.		●			●	●					
23. Heligate C4	U.S. 287 E. of Helena milepost 55 then N.E. 17 miles on secondary 284.	●	●	●		●	●			●		●
24. Hole-in-The-Wall B5	On Missouri River. No vehicle access		●	●		●	●					
25. Indian Road C4	U.S. 287 N. of Townsend milepost 75 at bridge	●	●	●		●	●					●
26. James Kipp B6	U.S. 191 N. of Lewistown milepost 242.	●	●	●		●	●					●
27. Jo Bonner C3	U.S. 287 E. of Helena milepost 55 then N.E. 11 miles on secondary 284.		●	●			●					●
28. Judith Landing B5	U.S. 87 at Big Sandy milepost 79 then S.E. 44 miles on secondary 236.	●	●	●		●	●					●
29. Lambeth B2	U.S. 93 at Dayton milepost 83 then N.W. 7 miles.	●	●			●	●					●
30. Lewis & Clark C3	U.S. 287 E. of Helena milepost 55 then N.E. on secondary 284 to Yacht Basin then S. 2 miles.		●	●		●	●			●		●
31. Logan B1	U.S. 2 W. of Kalispell milepost 77.	●	●	●		●	●		●	●		●
32. Lorelei C3	U.S. 287 E. of Helena milepost 55 then N.E. on secondary 284 to Yacht Basin then S. 1.5 miles.		●	●		●	●			●		●
33. Mahogany Cove C3	Canyon Ferry Reservoir. Boat access only.		●				●					●
34. Missouri Recreation Rd. C3	Frontage Road I-15 N. of Helena. From milepost 219 to 250		●	●		●	●					
35. Mount Haggin D3	State 274 S. of Anaconda. Various access points.										●	
36. Nelson A6	U.S. 2 E. of Malta milepost 488 then N. 1 mile on county road.	●	●	●		●	●					●
37. Orchards C3	U.S. 287 E. of Helena milepost 55 then N.E. on secondary 284 to Yacht Basin then S. 3 miles.		●			●	●					●
38. Overlook C3	U.S. 287 E. of Helena milepost 55 then N.E. on secondary 284 to Yacht Basin then S. 1 mile.		●			●	●					●
39. Painted Rocks D2	U.S. 93 S. of Hamilton then S.W. on secondary 473 23 miles.											
40. Ponderosa C3	U.S. 287 E. of Helena milepost 55 then N.E. 9 miles on secondary 284	●	●	●		●	●			●		●
41. Riverside C3	U.S. 287 E. of Helena milepost 55 then N.E. on secondary 284 to Canyon Ferry Village then N.W. 1 mile on county road.	●	●	●		●	●			●		●
42. Rock Creek B7	State 243 S. of Grasgow milepost 30 then W. 7 miles on county road.	●	●	●		●	●					
43. Rookery A5	U.S. 2 W. of Havre milepost 383 then N. across Milk River then W. 4 miles on county road.									●		
44. Shannon C3	U.S. 287 E. of Helena milepost 55 then N.E. 8 miles on secondary 284.		●				●					
45. Silos C4	U.S. 287 N. of Townsend milepost 70.	●	●	●		●	●					●

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46. Slaughter River B5	On Missouri River. No vehicle access.		●									
47. South Sandstone C8	U.S. 12 W. of Baker milepost 680 then S. 7 miles on county road.	●	●	●		●	●				●	
48. Thompson Falls B1	State 200 N.W. of Thompson Falls milepost 50.		●	●		●	●					●
49. Walstad Memorial B2	U.S. 93 N. of Polson milepost 72.	●	●			●	●			●		
50. Wayfarers B2	State 35 at Bigfork milepost 31.	●	●	●	●	●				●		●
51. West Rosebud C7	U.S. 12 at Forsyth. South side of bridge, milepost 270.	●	●			●	●					
52. White Earth C4	U.S. 287 S.E. of Helena to Winston milepost 64 then E. 5 miles on county road.	●	●	●		●	●					●
53. Whitefish A2	U.S. 93 W. of Whitefish milepost 129 then N. one mile.	●	●	●		●	●			●		●
54. Wood's Bay B2	State 35 S. of Bigfork milepost 27 then W. one mile.	●	●	●			●			●		
55. Yellow Bay B2	State 35 N. of Polson milepost 17.	●	●	●		●	●			●		●

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1. Absaroka D5	I-90 at Columbus milepost 408 then S. on secondary 307 to Absarokee then W. 1½ miles on secondary and county roads.		●								
2. Ackley Lake C5	U.S. 87 W. of Lewistown milepost 88 then W. 8 miles then S.E. 4 miles on county roads.	●	●		●	●					
3. Arapooish D6	I-90 at Hardin milepost 497 then E. on secondary 384 one mile then N.W. one mile on county road.								●		
4. Arod Lake B3	Secondary 221 E. of Choteau 1 mile then N. on secondary 378 17 miles.	●	●		●	●					
5. Ashley Creek B2	U.S. 2 W. of Kalispell milepost 106.									●	
6. Axtell Bridge D4	U.S. 191 S. of Belgrade milepost 77.									●	
7. Bean Lake B3	U.S. 287 at Augusta milepost 38 then S. 15 miles on secondary 434.	●	●		●	●					
8. Bear Paw Lake A5	U.S. 2 at Havre milepost 382 then S. on secondary 234 17 miles.	●	●	●	●	●					
9. Beaver Lodge D5	U.S. 212 N. of Red Lodge milepost 76.		●		●	●					
10. Big Fork B2	State 35 at Bigfork milepost 31 N.E. side of bridge.	●	●	●							
11. Big Horn D6	I-90 at Hardin milepost 497 then S. 29 miles on secondary 313.	●	●		●	●				●	
12. Big Pine C1	I-90 S. of Superior milepost 66 then N.W. 11 miles on county road.		●			●	●				
13. Big Rock D5	I-90 at Big Timber milepost 369 then S. 9 miles on county road.									●	
14. Big Timber Bridge D5	191 N. of Big Timber 1 mile.									●	
15. Blacktail Creek E3	I-15 S. of Dillon milepost 62 then S.E. 34 miles on county road.									●	
16. Blanchard Lake A2	U.S. 93 S. of Whitefish milepost 128 then west on county road.	●									
17. Bluewater D6	U.S. 310 S. of Laurel milepost 32 then S.E. 9 miles on county roads.		●		●	●					
18. Boat Jack Lake B2	U.S. 93 N.W. of Whitefish milepost 132 then 3. & N. 5 miles on county road.									●	
19. Boulder Forks D5	I-90 at Big Timber milepost 381 then S. on secondary 298 17 miles.									●	
20. Bozeman Pand D4	U.S. 191 W. edge of Bozeman milepost 87		●	●		●					
21. Branum Lake C8	I-94 at Miles City milepost 135 then N. 1 mile on I-94 loop		●		●	●					
22. Bratten D5	I-90 E. of Big Timber milepost 392 then W. 5 miles on frontage road.		●		●	●					
23. Buffalo Jump D5	I-90 at Columbus milepost 408 then S. on secondary 307 to Absarokee then S. on secondary 419 to milepost 21.		●		●	●					
24. Bull Springs D5	U.S. 212 N. of Red Lodge milepost 77.		●		●	●					
25. Burnt Tree Hole E3	State 287 W. of Ennis milepost 1 then S. 4 miles on county road.		●			●				●	
26. Cameron Bridge D4	I-90 at Belgrade milepost 298 then S. on secondary 291 2 miles then W. on county road 2 miles.		●			●				●	
27. Camp Baker C4	U.S. 89 at White Sulphur Springs milepost 126 then N.W. 13 miles on secondary 360 then N. 10 miles on county road.									●	
28. Cardwell D3	I-90 W. of Three Forks milepost 256 then S. 1 mile across the river.		●		●	●				●	
29. Carter Ferry B4	U.S. 87 N. of Great Falls milepost 26 then S.E. 5 miles on county road.									●	
30. Castle Rock D5	I-90 at Columbus milepost 408 then S. on secondary 307 to Absarokee then W. on secondary 420 23 miles.		●	●	●	●					
31. Causeway C3	I-15 N. of Helena milepost 200 then E. 5 miles on secondary 453.		●			●					
32. Cedar Meadow C3	Blackfoot River between Helmville & Ovando on county road.									●	
33. Chief Looking Glass C2	U.S. 93 S. of Missoula milepost 77 then E. 2 miles on county road.		●	●	●	●					
34. Clearwater Crossing C2	State 200 E. of Missoula milepost 31.		●		●	●					
35. Cliff Swallow D5	I-90 at Columbus milepost 408 then S. on Secondary 307 to Absarokee then W. 10 miles on secondary 420.		●		●	●					
36. Cobblestone D4	I-90 at Logan milepost 283 then S. 7 miles on county road.									●	
37. Cole Pond A6	U.S. 2 E. of Malta milepost 489 then N.E. on secondary 243 milepost 8									●	
38. Corwin Springs E4	U.S. 89 S. of Livingston milepost 7.									●	
39. Crystal Lake B1	U.S. 2 W. of Kalispell milepost 72.	●								●	
40. Dailey Lake E4	U.S. 89 S. of Livingston milepost 31 then E. across river on secondary 540 4 miles then S. 6 miles on county road.	●	●	●	●	●					
41. Deep Dale C4	U.S. 287 S. of Townsend milepost 82.	●	●		●	●					
42. Devon Reservoir A4	U.S. 2 W. of Chester milepost 297 then N. one mile on county road.									●	
43. Drouillard D4	U.S. 10 W. of Three Forks milepost 288.									●	
44. Eight Mile Ford E3	State 287 W. of Ennis milepost 1 then S. 2 miles on county road.		●							●	
45. Elk Island B8	State 18 N. of Glendive milepost 30 then E. 1 mile on county road.									●	
46. Emigrant D4	U.S. 89 S. of Livingston milepost 31 then E. across bridge		●			●					
47. Ennis D3	U.S. 287 at Ennis milepost 48.	●	●	●	●	●					
48. Eureka Reservoir B3	U.S. 89 N. of Choteau milepost 345 then W. 4 miles on county road.	●	●			●					
49. Fairweather D4	I-90 at Logan milepost 283 then N. 14 miles on county road.									●	
50. Fallon Bridge C8	I-94 N.E. of Terry milepost 187.	●								●	
51. Fireman's Point D5	I-90 at Columbus milepost 408 then S. on secondary 307 milepost 44 then W. 5 on county road.		●		●	●					
52. Fishtrap Creek D2	State 43 N. of Wisdom milepost 49.		●	●	●	●				●	
53. Flat Iron Ridge B1	State 200 N.W. of Thompson Falls milepost 49.	●	●								
54. Florence C2	U.S. 93 S. of Missoula milepost 75 then E. one mile on county road.	●	●			●				●	
55. Forks C1	I-90 S. of Superior milepost 67 then N.W. 7 miles on county road.		●		●	●					
56. Ft. Peck Dredge Cuts B7	State 24 S. of Glasgow milepost 58 then N. on secondary 249 to milepost 3.	●	●		●	●					
57. Four Comers D4	I-90 at Manhattan milepost 288 then E. 3 miles on secondary 346		●		●	●				●	
58. Frenchtown Pond C2	I-90 W. of Missoula milepost 91 then W. 1 mile on frontage road.		●	●	●	●			●		●
59. Fresno Dam A5	U.S. 2 W. of Havre milepost 370 then N. 2 miles on county road.									●	
60. Gallatin Forks D4	I-90 at Manhattan milepost 288 then N. 2 miles on county road.									●	
61. Garfside B8	State 16 S. of Sidney milepost 42 then W. 1 mile on county road.									●	

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62. Glen D3	I-18 N. of Dillon milepost 85 then S. 6 miles on frontage road.		●			●				●	
63. Glen Lake A1	U.S. 93 S. of Eureka milepost 174 then E. 6 miles on county road.	●	●			●			●		
64. Gray Cliff D4	I-90 at Logan milepost 283 then S. 15 miles on county roads.		●			●					
65. Grey Bear D5	U.S. 10 W. of Big Timber milepost 360 then N.W. 1 mile on county road.		●			●					
66. Hannan Memorial D2	U.S. 93 S. of Hamilton milepost 23.									●	
67. Harper Lake C2	Secondary 209 S. of Seeley Lake milepost 1.										
68. Harrison Lake D3	U.S. 287 N. of Ennis milepost 75 then E. 5 miles on county road.	●	●			●					
69. Harry Morgan C2	State 200 at Ovando then S. 4 miles on county roads.	●								●	
70. Helena Reg. Res. C3	N. of Helena on Montana Avenue to secondary 280 then E. 8 miles.		●			●					
71. Harsethiel E5	U.S. 212 N. of Red Lodge milepost 76 then S. 2 miles on county road.		●			●					
72. Indian Fart D5	I-90 E. of Big Timber milepost 392 then N. 1 mile on county road.	●	●	●		●					
73. Intake B8	State 18 N. of Glendive milepost 16 then 3. on county road.	●	●	●	●	●	●	●			
74. Isaac Homestead C7	I-94 Hysham interchange milepost 67 then E. 5 miles on county roads.									●	
75. Itch-Kep-Pe D5	I-90 at Columbus milepost 408 then S. on secondary 307 2 miles.	●	●	●	●	●					
76. Juniper Beach B2	U.S. 93 N. of Polson milepost 80.									●	
77. Kelly Island C2	At Missoula. From Reserve Street to Spurgin Road, then W. 2 miles on Spurgin.	●								●	
78. Kila B2	U.S. 2 W. of Kalispell milepost 112 then S. 1 mile on county road.	●	●		●	●					
79. Kiwanis Lane A2	U.S. 2 at Kalispell milepost 123 then S. on Sandy Lane; E. on Conrad Drive	●	●	●		●					
80. Kahrs Bend C3	I-90 N. of Deer Lodge milepost 178									●	
81. Kakanee Bend A2	U.S. 2 N. of Kalispell milepost 136 then W. 3 miles on county road.									●	
82. Loch Leven D4	U.S. 89 S. of Livingston milepost 44 then E. 2 miles then S. 4 miles on secondary 540.	●	●	●	●	●					
83. Loan Lake I B2	State 35 at Big Fork then E. on 209; S. on Crane Mt. Road.									●	
84. Loon Lake II A1	U.S. 93 S. of Eureka milepost 163 then W. 6 miles.									●	
85. Lower Carter Pond C5	U.S. 191 N. of Lewistown milepost 5.									●	
86. Maidenrack D3	I-15 at Melrose milepost 93 then W. & N. 6 miles on county road.		●	●	●	●				●	
87. Mallard's Rest D4	U.S. 89 S. of Livingston milepost 42.	●	●	●	●	●				●	
88. Mari Lake A1	U.S. 93 S. of Eureka milepost 166 then W. 4 miles on county road.									●	
89. Meadow Lake D3	U.S. 287 N. of Ennis milepost 56 then E. 2 miles on county road.		●	●		●				●	
90. Medicine Tree C2	I-90 W. of Drummond milepost 134. Across river. Floating access only									●	
91. Monture C2	State 200 W. of Lincoln milepost 39.		●		●	●					
92. Moraine D5	I-90 at Columbus milepost 408 then S. on secondary 307 to Absarokee then W. on secondary 420 24 miles.		●	●	●						
93. Murphy Tracts C2	Blackfoot River near Ovando. Floating access only.									●	
94. Ninemile Prairie C2	State 200 W. of Lincoln milepost 28 then W. 4 miles on county road.		●		●	●					
95. Old Steel Bridge A2	U.S. 2 at Kalispell milepost 123 then S. on Shady Lane; E. on Conrad Drive.		●								
96. Paradise D4	U.S. 89 S. of Livingston milepost 44 then E. 2 miles then S. 4.5 miles on secondary 540.		●		●					●	
97. Park Lake C3	I-15 S. of Helena milepost 182 then W. 12 miles on county road. (Forest Service)		●		●	●				●	●
98. Parrot Castle D3	State 287 S. of Whitehall milepost 5 then E. 3 miles on county road.		●		●	●				●	
99. Petty Creek C2	I-90 at Alberton milepost 77.3 then E. 2 miles on frontage road.	●								●	
100. Pishkun Reservoir B3	U.S. 287 N. of Augusta milepost 46 then N.W. 12 miles on county road.	●	●		●	●				●	
101. Poker Joe C2	U.S. 93 S. of Missoula milepost 70 then E. 5 miles on county road.									●	
102. Pressentine Bar A2	U.S. 2 E. of Kalispell N. on LaSalle to Birch Grove Road.	●	●								
103. Queen of the Waters E4	U.S. 89 N. of Gardiner milepost 1.									●	
104. Ray Kuhns A2	U.S. 2 E. of W. Glacier milepost 127.									●	
105. Raynolds Pass E4	U.S. 287 N.E. of W. Yellowstone milepost 8 then S. to bridge.									●	
106. River Junction C2	State 200 W. of Lincoln milepost 44 then S. 9 miles on county road.	●	●		●	●					
107. Rivers End B2	State 35 at Bigfork milepost 31 south on North Shore Harbor.	●									
108. Rosebud Isle D5	I-90 at Columbus milepost 408 then S. on secondary 307 to Junction S. at Absarokee then S.W. 3 miles on secondary 419 to Fishtail.		●		●	●					
109. Rush Hall C8	State 7 S. of Wibaux milepost 52 then W. 3 miles on county road.		●			●					
110. Savage Lake A1	U.S. 2 E. of Troy milepost 17 then S. on secondary 202 2 miles.		●								
111. Selkirk C4	U.S. 12 W. of Harlowtown milepost 80				●	●	●				
112. Seven Sisters B8	State 16 N. of Glendive milepost 41 then E. 1 mile on county road.										
113. Sheep Mountain D4	I-90 E. of Livingston milepost 340 then N. 3 miles on U.S. 89 then S. 4 miles on county road.		●				●				
114. Skyles Lake A2	U.S. 93 W. of Whitefish milepost 131.	●									
115. Smith River C4	U.S. 89 at White Sulphur Springs milepost 178 then N.W. 13 miles on secondary 360 then N. 6 miles on county road.		●			●					
116. Sophie Lake A1	State 37 N.W. of Eureka milepost 65 then N. 4 miles on county road.	●	●	●	●	●			●		
117. Sportsman's Bridge B2	U.S. 93 S. of Kalispell milepost 104 then E. on secondary 208 to milepost 6.	●	●			●					
118. Sportsman's Bridge C8	State 7 S. of Baker milepost 20 then W. 1 mile on county road.	●	●			●					
119. Stillson Bridge C5	U.S. 191 N. of Lewistown milepost 2 then W. 11 miles on secondary 306 then S. 3 miles on county road.									●	
120. Swinging Bridge D5	I-90 at Columbus milepost 408 then S. on secondary 307 to milepost 6.		●			●					
121. Teakettle A2	State 40 at Columbia Falls milepost 7.									●	
122. Tetrault Lake A1	State 37 N.W. of Eureka milepost 65 then N. 3 miles on county road.		●			●				●	
123. Tizer Lakes C3	I-15 S. of Helena milepost 176 then E. 10 miles on pack trail.										
124. Tobacco River A1	State 37 N.W. of Eureka milepost 63 then West on county road.									●	
125. Talksdorf Reservoir B8	State 16 N. of Sidney milepost 98 then W. 28 miles on county roads.										
126. Turah C2	I-90 E. of Missoula milepost 113 then S.E. 2 miles on county road.	●	●	●	●	●					
127. Two Leggins D6	I-90 at Hardin milepost 497 then S. on secondary 313 milepost 8		●			●					
128. Upper Carter Pond C5	U.S. 191 N. of Lewistown milepost 7.	●	●			●					
129. Upsata Lake C2	State 200 W. of Lincoln milepost 41 then N. 4 miles on county road.	●	●								
130. Valley Garden D3	U.S. 287 W. of Ennis milepost 1 then S. 10 miles on county road.		●			●					
131. Varney Bridge E3	U.S. 287 W. of Ennis milepost 1 then S. 10 miles on county road.	●	●			●					
132. Water Birch D5	U.S. 212 N. of Red Lodge milepost 79.		●			●					
133. Welcome Creek C2	I-90 E. of Missoula milepost 125 then S. 12 miles on county road.		●			●					
134. White Bird D5	I-90 at Columbus milepost 408 then S. on secondary 307 to milepost 7		●		●	●					
135. Whitefish River A2	U.S. 2 E. of Kalispell N. on LaSalle then W. on W short Road.									●	
136. Whitefish Satellite A2	U.S. 93 W. of Whitefish. Boat access only.	●									
137. Whitetail Reservoir A8	State 5 E. of Scobey milepost 11 then N. on secondary 511 to milepost 5.	●	●		●	●					
138. Williams Bridge D3	I-90 W. of Three Forks milepost 274 then S.W. on U.S. 10 nine miles then S. 2 miles on county road.		●			●					

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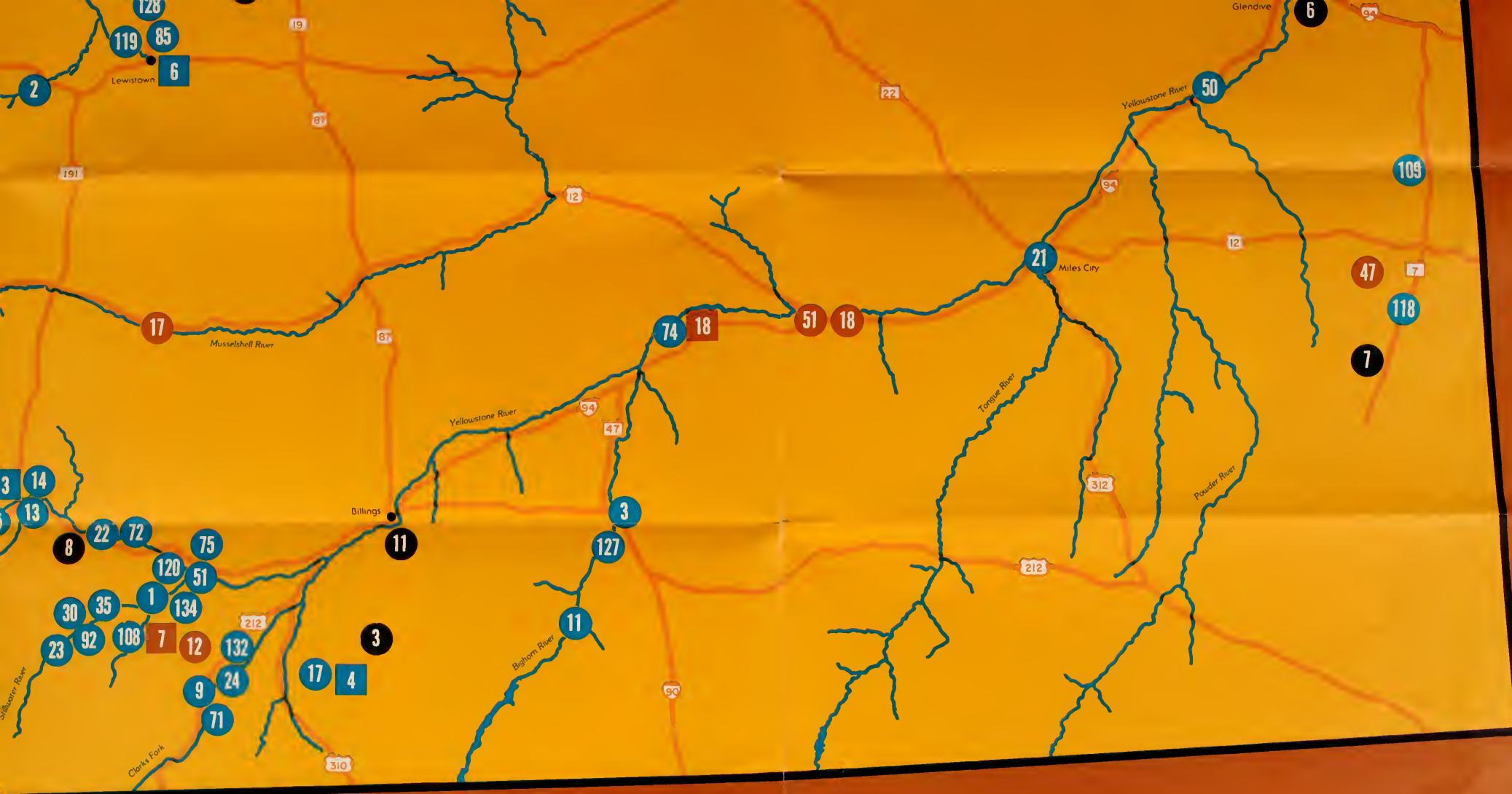

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- Confine pets to leash
- Observe speed limits
- Stay on roads
- Park and camp where designated
- Heed 14-day camping limit
- Confine fires to fireplaces
- Preserve natural features
- Put litter in its place
- Night closure in designated areas
- Launch boats in launching areas
- Swim within orange and white buoys
- Permit required for groups of more than 50
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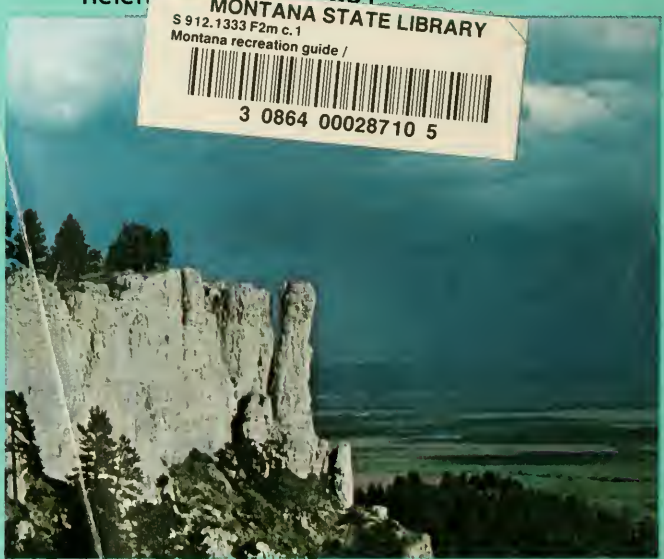

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